The Threefold Cord Community of

Niles Community Presbyterian Church

Morton Grove Community Church

Carter - Westminster United Presbyterian Church

Gathered for Worship - <u>online in our homes</u> on these Sundays of Easter - 2020

April 19, 2020

The Second Sunday of Easter

Gathering in God's Name

Gathering of the People - safely at home

Prelude "How Deep The Father's Love For Us"

Jason Nelson, piano

Stuart Townsend arr. James Koertz

Greeting, Welcome, and Announcements

Call to Worship

Hymn "The Day of Resurrection"

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Prayer of Confession / We Center Ourselves with God Creator God, we confess that at times we are skeptics. At times, like these times, we wonder where you are because of all that we see happening in our world: oppression, marginalization, racism, and sexism. It is sometimes hard to see Your love and light, places of resurrection life.

Sometimes, even those who bear Your name do not walk in Your ways.

Help us to see Your goodness in this world. Help us to know Your love. Fill us with Your love and goodness, so that we might love one another, and lift up one another in faith.... (a time of silence)

Declaration of Forgiveness

The psalmist says, "I am sure I shall see the goodness of our God in the land of the living. Wait for the Lord; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the Lord!"

Know that you do not wait alone.

God has given us one another for this journey of faith, to help one another.

Know that you do not wait alone; Christ is with us.

Be encouraged, and encourage one another.

Go and share the Good News. Amen.

Word Proclaimed

First Lesson: Psalm 16

Time with Young Disciples

Offering of Music "Low In The Grave He Lay"

Pat Radosavljevic, piano

Gospel Affirmation "Alleluia" JOYFUL ALLELUIA

Second Lesson: I Peter 1:3-9

Sermon

Sharing of Joys and Concerns - Prayers of the People

Thanksgiving

Offering and Prayer of Dedication

The Lord's Prayer

Sending

Closing Hymn "In the Bulb / Hymn of Promise" PROMISE

Charge and Benediction

Postlude "In Christ Alone"

The Branches

Going Forth / Staying Home and Staying Safe